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In re Application of:

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Title: **METHOD FOR IN VITRO EVOLUTION OF POLYPEPTIDES**

Response and Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Notification of Defective Response dated November 28, 2006, which had a one month period set for reply of December 28, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In view of the following remarks and amendments, applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in compliance with the requirements for patent applications containing nucleotide sequences as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.821-1.825, and request that the Examiner reconsider and allow all claims pending in this application.

Please amend the application as follows: